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SUBJECT: BANK INDONESIA GOVERNOR SALEH TRAVELS TO EUROPE AND JAPAN

1. EMBASSY LEARNED FROM SEVERAL SOURCES THAT GOVERNOR RACHMAT SALEH, HEAD OF BANK INDONESIA, DEPARTED FOR A TRIP TO TOKYO AND EUROPEAN CAPITALS ABOUT TEN DAYS AGO. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SALEH, IN ADDITION TO GOING TO TOKYO, WAS ALSO TRAVELING TO THE NETHERLANDS AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY. ONE SOURCE HAD ALSO MENTIONED POSSIBILITY THAT SALEH WOULD GO TO NEW YORK, BUT WHEN ECON/COMM COUNS CHECKED WITH SENIOR BANK OFFICIAL, LATTER SAID THAT AT THIS MOMENT U.S. WAS NOT ON THE ITINERARY.

2. AS FOR PURPOSE OF SALEH'S TRIP, BANK OFFICIAL SAID IT IS "MULTI-PURPOSE" BUT DID NOT GIVE FURTHER DETAILS. ASKED WHETHER SALEH MIGHT BE DISCUSSING ROLLOVER OF EXISTING CREDITS WITH FINANCIAL AUTHORITIES AND BANKERS, THE OFFICIAL MERELY REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW. OFFICIAL ALSO COMMENTED THAT SALEH FREQUENTLY CHANGES SUBJECTS AND ITINERARY DURING TRIPS.

3. COMMENT: SALEH'S QUIET DEPARTURE FROM HERE(THERE HAS BEEN NOTHING IN THE PRESS) APPEARS TO REFLECT HIS DESIRE TO MINIMIZE PUBLIC SPECULATION OR CONCERN ABOUT
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PURPOSE OF TRIP. AMONG OTHER THINGS, TRIP MAY WELL BE

IN CONNECTION WITH GOI'S CURRENT EFFORT TO INSTITUTE A
CAPITAL MARKET AND STOCK EXCHANGE AT THE BEGINNING OF 1977.

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